

**WORTHINGTON CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING, APRIL 23, 2018**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. in City Hall Council Chambers by Mayor Mike Kuhle with the following Council Members present: Larry Janssen, Alan Oberloh, Chad Cummings, Amy Ernst, Mike Harmon. Honorary Council Member: Ryan Weber.

Staff present: Steve Robinson, City Administrator; Jason Brisson, Director of Community Development, Planning, Zoning and Building Services; Todd Wietzema, Public Works Director; Dwayne Haffield, Director of Engineering; Rod Odell, Code Enforcement Officer-Housing Inspector; Janice Oberloh, City Clerk.

Others present: Karl Evers-Hillstrom, the Globe; Justine Wettschreck, KWOA; Mark Shepherd, City Attorney; Chris Kielblock; Lisa Graphenteen; Theresa Williams and daughter Emily for Thompson Hotel, and their Attorney, Bary Gronke; Lisa Graphenteen Southwest Minnesota Housing Partnership; and a student group.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**HONORARY COUNCIL MEMBER**

Mayor Kuhle welcomed Ryan Weber as the Honorary Council Member for the months of April, May and June, 2018.

**AGENDA CLOSED / APPROVED**

Mayor Kuhle noted that item G.1. *Consideration of 1009 Third Avenue as a Hazardous Building and Issuance of Order to Repair or Remove Hazardous Conditions* would be taken out of order directly after Item E.1.

Staff noted that the addendum that had been distributed earlier would not be added to the agenda for consideration.

The motion was made by Council Member Oberloh, seconded by Council Member Ernst and unanimously carried to close / approve the agenda with the revised order.

**CONSENT AGENDA APPROVED**

The motion was made by Council Member Janssen, seconded by Council Member Harmon and unanimously carried to approve the consent agenda as follows:

- City Council Minutes of Regular Meeting April 9, 2018 and Special Meeting April 18, 2018
- Minutes of Boards and Commissions - Water and Light Commission Minutes of April 2, 2018 and April 16, 2018; Prairie Justice Center Joint Operations Committee Minutes of January 18, 2018; Public Arts Commission Minutes of March 15, 2018

- Financial Statements - Municipal Liquor Store Income Statement for the Period January 1, 2018 through March 31, 2018 and General Fund Statement of Revenues and Expenditures - Budget and Actual - for the Period January 1, 2018 through March 31, 2018
- Application for On-Sale Beer License - Nobles County Speedway - license period June through September 2018
- Bills payable and totaling \$834,326.44 be ordered paid

#### **PRESENTATION BY STUDENT GROUP DYNAMIC 507**

Chaltu Uli, Tre'Quan Wright and Aunna Groenewold were present at the meeting, along with other members of Student Group Dynamic 507, and spoke to Council about what they see as a lack of things for students to do here in the community. They are concerned that students will turn to activities that may be unlawful. The group suggested that the City needs amenities like a movie theater, cultural center, roller rink, outlet or mini-mall, an arcade or family fun park, and public transportation. Following their presentation, the students thanked Council for the opportunity to be heard.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2018-04-03 ADOPTED DECLARING HAZARDOUS BUILDING AND ORDERING THE REPAIR OR REMOVAL OF HAZARDOUS CONDITIONS LOCATED AT 1009 THIRD AVENUE**

Jason Brisson, Director of Community Development, Planning, Zoning and Building Services, provided background information to Council regarding the conditions and reported violations at the property located at 1009 Third Avenue, known as the Thompson Hotel. Mr. Brisson noted the following time line regarding violations:

- August 10, 2017 - Housing inspector inspected the commercial and residential property and found 27 violations the Worthington Rental Housing Ordinance.
- September 18, 2017 - The Housing Inspector notified the property owner of the violations and informed the property owner that each violation needed to be corrected by November 13, 2017.
- March 14, 2018 - the Worthington Chief and Captain of Police informed the Director of Community Development that the property has been found to be in a state of significant blight by officers responding to calls at the property.
- March 22, 2018 - the City received correspondence from the property owner that progress had been made towards bringing the property into compliance, but the property was still not in full compliance with the City Code.
- April 2<sup>nd</sup> and April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018 - Worthington Housing Inspector conducted an inspection of the property to determine what new violations were present and what violations found during the August 10, 2017 inspection had been corrected. 99 violations were found during the inspections of April 2<sup>nd</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>, 12 of which were from the August 10, 2017 inspection.

Mr. Brisson referred to documentation included in the Council packet that showed the most pressing issues to be roof damage, pest infestation and mold. He referred to a memo from the League of Minnesota Cities regarding hazardous properties which states “State law defines a hazardous building or hazardous property as any building or property which, because of inadequate maintenance, dilapidation, physical damage, unsanitary conditions or abandonment constitutes a fire hazard or a hazard to public safety or health.”

Mr. Brisson said based on evidence presented by the Housing Inspector and the Worthington Police Department, Staff was recommending that Council review the evidence before them and make a determination that the building located at 1009 Third Avenue is a hazardous building as defined by State Statutes. Staff was also recommending that Council issue a resolution ordering repair or removal of hazardous conditions located at 1009 Third Avenue as defined by Minnesota State Statutes. The order needs to state that the repairs all be made within a specific number of days after the order is served upon the property owner. It also has to state that the owner/occupant must remove all personal property and/or fixtures that would reasonably interfere with the work within a specific number of days. Mr. Brisson said it is up to Council's discretion tonight on what that number of days are, but according to the Statute they must be reasonable.

The other option is Council could also choose to structure the time period in the form of “work to be started by” and “substantially completed by” dates. Mr. Brisson said he spoke to a couple of roofing companies out of Mankato and was informed that two to three weeks for the roof repair would be reasonable from the date at which they are hired to start the work, but it could be completed in anywhere from one to three weeks, depending a lot on what is there with the existing roof. Mr. Brisson suggested that June 1<sup>st</sup> might be a reasonable date to start the work by and July 31<sup>st</sup> would be a reasonable date to have the work completed by. If substantial progress has been made by that point, Council could look at potentially extending the date for certain items, depending on if they seem to warrant that.

Council Member Oberloh questioned if the 1009 Third Avenue address was the address of the rental office because the facility is on Tenth Street. Mr. Brisson said in the County records the property generally goes by the Tenth Street address but the address for corresponding with the owner was 1009 Third Avenue - he assumed it would be the same for the tenants but would follow up to be sure. City Attorney Mark Shepherd suggested that when the resolution is passed, a legal description of the property should be attached. The resolution as presented to Council would also be altered regarding a reference to the Statutes as suggested by the City Attorney.

Mr. Shepherd noted the June 1, 2018 start date was suggested as a “no later than” date for starting the repair, but that Council should establish a time frame for all of the repairs to be completed so if we need to go to the next step of District Court we can bring everything. Mr. Brisson noted we are only addressing the violations that are the responsibilities of the landlord to repair, not the tenants.

The June 1<sup>st</sup> date will also allow them to get financing in place.

Bary Gronke, attorney for the Williams, introduced himself and thanked Council for the opportunity to address them. He asked that Council remember that contractors are a commodity here, and noted his clients were working to find financing for the repairs but the recent negative publicity has caused some banks to bow out, along with a potential buyer. He also suggested that the June 1<sup>st</sup> start date was aggressive, and asked if the City had any suggestions on potential avenues for the property. Council Member Cummings noted the City had offered to make the repairs and assess the costs back. Mr. Gronke responded that the 8% interest rate charged by the City is one step below a loan shark. If it couldn't get underway for whatever reason it would need to be shut down, and 39 families would need to move. He was asking for leniency. Council Member Cummings said these conditions didn't just happen overnight. The owners knew what they were getting into when they purchased the property.

Mr. Shepherd suggested that if a financial institution looked like they would approve financing and would write a letter to the City letting them know they were working with the owners on financing, the City may extend, but we need to represent the tenants too.

Ryan Weber, Honorary Council Member, said it is a health and safety concern, and financing is probably directly related to the condition of the property - the roof and the mold. He recommended that they take the 8%. Mr. Gronke asked the City to reconsider the rate of interest on the assessments. Mr. Brisson responded that the rate is fixed under statute. Mr. Shepherd concurred.

Council agreed that this is a health and safety issue- the mold is significant - we're looking at least 80 people, maybe 100. They could carry the pests to the community. Emily Paplow said she has made repairs since the inspections. Mr. Brisson said the pest technician had noted the tenants were not complying with preparation requests, but there is a different level of service there now, and they are making substantial strides. If it continues, they may be able to work with Council on extending the repair date.

Following further discussion, the motion was made by Council Member Cummings, seconded by Council Member Oberloh and unanimously carried to adopt the following resolution declaring the building as hazardous and stating that the City of Worthington allow the ownership of the Thompson Hotel Apartments adequate time and cooperation in whatever financing they feel to mitigate the problems listed in the Housing Inspector's inspection, to start no later than June 1<sup>st</sup> and go until July 31<sup>st</sup> for completion unless otherwise agreed upon by bids, with Council agreement:

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-04-03

A RESOLUTION ORDERING THE REPAIR OR REMOVAL OF HAZARDOUS CONDITIONS  
LOCATED AT 1009 THIRD AVENUE

(Refer to Resolution File for complete copy of Resolution)

The Resolution orders the following repairs to the property to be commenced no later than June 1, 2018 and completed no later than July 31, 2018:

- a. Repair all roof leaks
- b. The live pests in all units need to be exterminated
- c. Frost, moisture and mold in window area of units 201,202, 206, 207, 210, 211, 215, 217, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 317, 318 and 320 need to be cleaned
- d. Destruction of door, molding and wall near and at bathroom in Unit 305 need to be fixed or replaced
- e. The tripping hazards in unit 206, 213 and 305 need to be corrected
- f. The mold on the bathroom ceilings in units 217 and 315 need to be corrected
- g. The GFCI outlet in the kitchen needs to be repaired in unit 308
- h. The GFCI outlet in the bathroom of unit 309 needs to be repaired
- i. The leaking bathroom faucet in unit 307 needs to be repaired
- j. Units 201, 202, 205,207, 208, 214, 216, 217, 305, 306, 309, 315 and 318 need working smoke alarms
- k. The missing/torn window screens in units 201, 202, 206, 207, 210, 211, 213, 215, 217, 218, 310 (s/b 301), 305, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313 and 320 need to be repaired
- l. The broken window glass in units 213, 217, 218, 302, 304, 305, 312, 315 and 321 needs to be repaired
- m. The kitchen outlets in units 202 and 303 need to be a GFCI outlet
- n. The peeling paint on the bathroom ceiling of units 203, 204, 206, 207, 210, 216 and 309 needs to be repaired
- o. The peeling paint in units 312, 317, 318, 319 and 321 needs to be repaired
- p. The ceiling stains in unit 207, 208, 214, 307, 310, 317 and 319 need to be repaired
- q. The broken glass in the bathroom fixture in unit 217 needs to be repaired
- r. The broken switch plate in the kitchen in unit 206 needs to be repaired
- s. The flooring in unit 309 needs to be cleaned or replaced

**CHANGE ORDER NO. 4 APPROVED FOR LIQUOR STORE PROJECT**

Steve Robinson, City Administrator presented Change Order No. 4 for the Liquor Store project for Council approval, noting the Change Order is a deduct of \$405.00 and includes the following:

- Electrical materials and labor to add an additional security keypad near the front entrance: ADD \$600.00
- materials and labor to construct a soffit over electrical conduit on the west exterior wall near the south cooler: ADD \$551.00

- Labor to add access openings above both coolers. While the Contractor installed drywall in this area at no cost (it wasn't called for in the plans) codes require access to mechanical equipment above the cooler. ADD: \$145.00
- Materials and labor to enclose diagonal wall bracing at four locations. Diagonal bracing was uncovered during demolition at four roof structural beams that would otherwise be exposed with remodeled wall sections. ADD \$1,968.00
- Delete Painting of ceiling mechanical and electrical components, mechanical struts. DEDUCT: \$4,400.00
- Add and access panel to the north exterior soffit to allow access to exterior building signage lighting controls: NO CHANGE IN COST
- Furnish and install electrical light fixture, sensor switch and light receptacle in the access area of the north exterior building soffit for lighted building sign. ADD \$731.00

The motion was made by Council Member Cummings, seconded by Council Member Harmon and unanimously carried to approve Change Order No. 4 for the Liquor Store project.

**PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT APPROVED WITH AMERICAN ENGINEERING AND TESTING, INC. - 10<sup>TH</sup> STREET PAVILION**

Staff presented a proposal from American Engineering and Testing for soil borings and geotechnical services for the 10<sup>th</sup> Street Pavilion, Beach Nook and Splash Pad projects. The proposed fees for the each of the projects are:

10 <sup>th</sup> Street Pavilion	\$3,735.00	8 soil borings
Beach Nook	\$1,960.00	3 soil borings
Splash Pad	\$1,730.00	2 soil borings

Council Member Oberloh commented that three soil borings on a piece of property with that proximity to the lake seems light to him.

Following discussion, the motion was made by Council Member Oberloh, seconded by Council Member Cummings and unanimously carried to approve the Agreement for Professional Services for soil borings for the three projects, but to increase the fees for the Beach Nook and Splash Pad to a not to exceed amount of \$2,500 for each to allow for additional borings.

**PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT APPROVED - SPLASH PAD ENGINEERING DESIGN**

Staff presented a proposal from Bolton and Menk for engineering services for the design of a splash pad to be located in Centennial Park. The proposal includes preliminary design and site layout, final design, permitting, and bidding services at a fee of \$27,500.00. Council Members Oberloh and Ernst

expressed concern that the fees seemed high. Council Member Oberloh asked if only the one firm had been solicited - Steve Robinson, City Administrator, responded yes, but additional proposals could be solicited to be brought forward at the next meeting in three weeks.

The motion was made by Council Member Oberloh, seconded by Council Member Janssen and unanimously carried to table this item until the next Council meeting.

### **CENTER FOR ACTIVE LIVING AFTER-HOURS KEY-FOB SYSTEM UPGRADE AND DOOR REPAIR APPROVED**

Staff reported that the after-hours key-fob system at the center for Active Living (CAL), which was installed in 2013, has been malfunctioning and requiring frequent repairs. In addition, the fob programming software is not user friendly and requires multiple steps. YMCA management solicited a proposal from Electro Watchman, Inc. to upgrade the system while still being able to use the existing fobs, at a proposed cost of \$7,524.79. The closers on the three entry doors are also in need of replacement to pull the door fully closed to enable it to latch. The proposed cost to replace the existing closers with ones that are constructed for heavier duty service is \$1,510.00. Steve Robinson, City Administrator, said Staff's recommendation was that funding for the repairs and upgrades come from the Municipal Building Fund, which has a balance of \$47,944.00. As the work was not included in the 2018 budget, Mr. Robinson said Council would need to authorize a budget amendment. Council Member Oberloh requested that Council Member Harmon take consideration of use of the CAL as a cultural center as requested by the Student Group Dynamic 507 earlier in the meeting to the CAL Board.

The motion was made by Council Member Oberloh, seconded by Council Member Harmon and unanimously carried to approve the budget amendment and after-hours key-FOB system upgrade and door repairs.

### **APPROVAL TO COMPLETE PURCHASE OF MC FITNESS BUILDING**

Steve Robinson, City Administrator, said the City of Worthington entered into a purchase agreement for the MC Fitness building for \$1,080,000.00. The terms of the agreement allowed the City a 60-day period of due diligence to review the building's condition, prepare conceptual plans and determine the estimated remodeling costs. That period terminates on April 30<sup>th</sup>. The architecture/engineering firm of CBS Squared was retained to assist with the due diligence.

CBS investigated two options deemed to be the most viable. The first option called for demolition of the existing office portion of the facility and construction of a new office and administration area within the metal building structure. Initial estimates were much higher than Staff anticipated, and it was also determined that vehicle and equipment space needs would not be met under this option.

The second option retained the existing office portion with extensive remodeling of the ground floor level and designating the entire metal building area for vehicles and equipment. Mr. Robinson said this is the recommended option due to a lower overall construction cost, it accommodates the space needs of the vehicle bay, and gains miscellaneous light storage above the office and administration area. Total estimated project cost of this option is \$2,270,300.37, excluding property acquisition. Staff was recommending purchase of the MC Fitness building and to undergo renovation to accommodate the Public Works Department. The project would allow the Parks Department to move out of the First Avenue SW facility and enable the City Council to consider a variety of options for redevelopment of that area.

Mayor Kuhle suggested that the major decision at this time is whether we go through with the purchase, and have more time to digest this proposal and method of payment. Council Member Oberloh said we need to know now how we're paying for it. Mr. Robinson said the purchase of the facility could be funded with hospital sale funds, and the additional \$2.2 million costs could be included in a sales tax project, or be bonded for and then it's on the tax levy. If Council is comfortable moving forward with the purchase and converting it into a Public Works facility, we could hold off on the construction until after the sales tax referendum. In response to a question from Council Member Oberloh, Mr. Robinson said construction of a brand new facility for the Public Works Department would cost an estimated \$6.5 to \$7 million. This remodel project would be \$3.5 million. Worthington Public Utilities would take over the current warehouse and Liquor Store facility, which is in need of parking lot and roof repair, in addition to remodeling to accommodate them. Council Member Oberloh suggested that the Utilities could be a participant in the project as they are gaining twice the space they have now. Staff will also work on squaring off the property.

The motion was made by Council Member Oberloh, seconded by Council Member Harmon and unanimously carried to complete the purchase of the MC Fitness Building.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2018-04-04 ADOPTED IN SUPPORT OF APPOINTING RANDY SIMONSON TO THE UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA BOARD OF REGENTS**

The Regent Candidate Advisory Council has submitted the name of Dr. Randy Simonson as one of five candidates for appointment to the open seat of the first congressional district representative to the Board of Regents for the University of Minnesota. Lawmakers must elect a candidate before the legislature adjourns May 21<sup>st</sup>.

The motion was made by Council Member Harmon, seconded by Council Member Ernst and unanimously carried to adopt the following resolution supporting the appointment of Dr. Randy Simonson:

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-04-04

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF APPOINTING RANDY SIMONSON AS FIRST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE TO BOARD OF REGENTS - UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

(Refer to Resolution File for complete copy of Resolution)

**CONTRACT AWARDED FOR CD 12 FLOOD MITIGATION PROJECT**

The following bids were received on April 19, 2018 for the CD 12 Flood Mitigation project:

<u>Mathiowetz Const. Co.</u>	<u>Duininck, Inc.</u>	<u>Midwest Contracting LLC</u>
\$3,296,846.54	\$3,405,398.07	\$5,138,552.45

Dwayne Haffield, Director of Engineering, said the low bid is about 11% over the Engineer's estimate, which in itself isn't extreme, but it all falls on to the City's share of the project. The funding from FEMA is a fixed amount, which means we need to look at a budget revision to continue on. The overall project would jump from about \$4.3 million to \$4.6 million, but the \$4.6 million was what the grant application represented. Mr. Haffield displayed a map of the flood plain that indicated the reduction that would result from the project, noting it would pull hundreds of homes out of the flood plain. The biggest impact will be downstream of Oslo.

The motion was made by Council Member Oberloh, seconded by Council Member Cummings and unanimously carried to award the contract for the CD 12 Flood Mitigation project to Mathiowetz Construction Company as the low qualified bidder in the amount of \$3,296,846.54, and to approve the budget revision, as recommended by staff.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2018-04-05 ADOPTED - ADOPTING THE NOBLES COUNTY ALL-HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN**

Dwayne Haffield, Director of Engineering, stated the County's Emergency Management Office had contracted with the Southwest Regional Development Commission to get the 2011 Nobles County All Hazard Mitigation Plan updated, which is to be done once every five years. The funding we received for the County Ditch 12 project was identified in that plan, which identifies and prioritizes risks and mitigation strategies and brings together County, Township and City staff and officials, representatives from medical services, utility companies and School Districts. Mr. Haffield said the plan needed to get updated in a hurry - we were given a waiver but it needs to get submitted.

The motion was made by Council Member Cummings, seconded by Council Member Ernst and unanimously carried to adopt the following resolution adopting the Nobles County All Hazard Mitigation Plan:

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-04-05

ADOPTION OF THE NOBLES COUNTY ALL-HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN

(Refer to Resolution File for complete copy of Resolution)

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING APPROVED - ARTMOBILE PROJECT**

The Southwest Minnesota Housing Partnership was requesting that the City of Worthington enter into a Memorandum of Understanding for the Artmobile project with Gail Holinka and Agnes Alsgaard Lien, and the Southwest Minnesota Housing Partnership. The MOU includes conditions that the City take ownership of the vehicle and insure the vehicle, and that the City will work with the artists to find long-term funding for the project after initial start up funds have expended. Jason Brisson, Director of Community Development, Planning, Zoning and Building Services, said the MOU was reviewed by the City Attorney. Lisa Graphenteen was at the meeting and said the MOU notes the Partnership is providing the funding and that hopefully this will have life after the first couple of years.

Council Member Cummings noted this was asked at an earlier meeting if it would sustain itself or would it be dropped in the City's lap. He does not want this to become something that the City needs to find the complete funding for in the future. Steve Robinson, City Administrator, said that was not the case, but that they would reasonably expect the City to offer assistance in finding future funding.

The motion was made by Council Member Ernst, seconded by Council Member Harmon and unanimously carried to approve entering into the Memorandum of Understanding with the Southwest Minnesota Housing Partnership and Gail Holinka and Agnes Alsgaard Lien for the Artmobile project.

**APPLICATION ON BEHALF OF ACTIVE LIVING PLAN GROUP FOR UNITED WAY GRANT APPROVED**

Jason Brisson, Director of Community Development, Planning, Zoning and Building Services, said the Worthington Active Living Plan (ALP) group has determined that having temporary bicycle racks for our larger city events like King Turkey Day, International Festival and the Regatta would make it easier for city residents to choose active transportation options during those events. In addition, they have identified a United Way grant as a good source of funding for the equipment. The grant requires the entity to be a non-profit, therefore, the group was requesting that the City of Worthington submit the application on behalf of the ALP group. The City would also store the racks when not in use.

Following discussion, the motion was made by Council Member Ernst, seconded by Council

Member Harmon and unanimously carried.

### **COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Mayor Kuhle - Attended an E.O. Olson Committee meeting a week ago - there is \$80,672.18 available for projects. The committee approved \$6,200 for a second carp study. Attended the WREDC meeting last week - they had four new members. Also noted attendance at the Special City Council meeting regarding local option sales tax and the regional park designation for Prairie View.

Council Member Janssen - Nothing to report.

Council Member Oberloh - Attended the Historical Society's open house meeting at the Armory yesterday - it's on the National Registry. They want the County to move the Historical Society there, and would like the Art Center there also.

Council Member Cummings - Attended the Joint Operations Committee for the Prairie Justice Center last Thursday - still talking about construction faults. The roof is almost complete, the new garage is being completed, and they are addressing curb placements to prevent public from driving around to the garage. Signage and windows still need to be addressed, along with sidewalks which will be bid soon. Found that possibly their security cameras were not working and out of date and need to be replaced - last estimate was \$250,000 for a facility of that size, not sure what the City's share will be. Also discussed intersection of Highway 59 and the road from the Prairie Justice Center and possible notification when emergency vehicles are coming from the PJC.

Council Member Ernst - The Public Arts Commission is putting on an ice cream social on Sunday, May 6<sup>th</sup> from 1 to 4 p.m. at Memorial Auditorium - everyone is invited to attend.

Council Member Harmon - The Water and Light Commission met on the 16<sup>th</sup> - minutes were in the Council packet. The Prairie Justice Center meeting went well. This morning there was a Joint City/County/ School District meeting - they are trying to make appointments with legislators to advance the WELL project, but as of this morning they had not had much success.

### **CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

Steve Robinson, City Administrator, noted the seat replacement at Memorial Auditorium is scheduled to start June 4<sup>th</sup> but we were unable to secure the community corrections folks for the seat removal so we'll have City staff doing it. They have received requests from people who wish to purchase some of the chairs. This past Friday he attended a meeting to discuss the outdoor pool and expansion. Representatives from the City, the YMCA and Minnesota West, and representatives from U.S. Aquatics attended. At Council's request he sent surveys out to nine cities regarding their ice arenas on Friday, he heard back from five of them as of this afternoon. He will bring that information to a special City Council meeting. Mr. Robinson also reminded Council of the invitation he emailed out to the Laos New Year celebration.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

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The motion was made by Council Member Janssen, seconded by Council Member Cummings and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 9:03 p.m.

Janice Oberloh, MCMC  
City Clerk